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## Spike for a Cure: Big Pink Volleyball Tourney Returns

By RICK FARLOW  
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Rec Center and Cabell-Huntington Hospital's Pink Ribbon Fund are hosting the annual Big Pink Volleyball Tournament Oct. 29 and 30 at 2 p.m. at the Rec Center Basketball Courts.

The event will raise money for women who are uninsured or cannot afford an annual mammogram.

All matches in the tournament will be played with a

pink volleyball that is four feet in diameter. There is a \$5 entry fee per player and all proceeds will go to the St. Mary's Pink Ribbon Fund. Participants may create teams with a minimum of four participants and a maximum of 10.

In addition to the proceeds for participants to sign-up, T-shirts will be for sale to benefit the Pink Ribbon Fund. Short sleeve shirts will be available for \$10 and long sleeve shirts for \$13.

The registration packet for the event is available at the Rec Center or on the Rec Center website [www.marshallcampusrec.com](http://www.marshallcampusrec.com). All packets must be printed and turned in at the Rec Center.

Registration ends on Wednesday at 5 p.m. Tournament rules and guidelines are available on the registration packet or on the Rec Center website. The prize for the winning team is a pink trophy, which can be seen at the registration table near the front

desk of the Rec Center.

"The tournament definitely raises awareness of it and gets the word out. It is a good way to get out and have people share their experiences with breast cancer and what it means to them," said Matt Schaefer, coordinator of Competitive Sports and Camps at the Rec Center. "And it's a reminder, to women especially, to go out and get those things checked out."

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## Men's, women's basketball set for C-USA Media Days

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With the 2016-2017 basketball season on the horizon, the Marshall men's and women's programs will take center stage Tuesday afternoon for the annual Conference USA Media Days.

The Tuesday slate looks to be jam-packed, with men's head coach Dan D'Antoni kicking off the Marshall press conferences at noon. Seniors Ryan Taylor, Austin Loop and Stevie Browning

will also be available to speak with the media.

The Herd women's basketball team then will have the chance to discuss the upcoming season, with head coach Matt Daniel speaking with the press at 1:20 pm. Seniors Talequia Hamilton and Kiana Evans will also be available following Daniel's press conference.

Follow the Parthenon for the latest updates from C-USA Media Days.

## Socialist politician visits campus

With the polarization that the U.S. election has brought, many Americans have begun to turn to third party candidates. Socialist Teresa Gutierrez spoke Monday night in Harris Hall and laid an alternative party platform for students who are looking for another option.

Read reporter Tom Jenkins' full coverage of the visit on [www.marshallparthenon.com](http://www.marshallparthenon.com).

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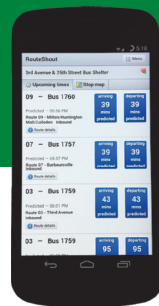
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The Cooper Family Farm corn maze in Milton offers a Halloween-themed activity for families throughout the month of October.

## Halloween in Huntington

**Friendship March for Treats | Oct. 25, 6 p.m., Huntington Mall** | “We will begin registration for the safe trick or treat event at 4 p.m. Celebrities from IHeart Media, Captain McFinn and Heroes 4 Higher leading the way! Come out dressed in your favorite costume, sign the kindness pledge and join us for a fun evening.” Free admission.

**Tubaween! | Oct. 27, 7:30 p.m., Smith Music Hall** | “Featuring the Marshall University Tube/Euphonium Ensemble ‘Tubonium.’” Free admission.

**Porchoween | Oct. 28, 7 p.m., Porch Unplugged** | “We will be celebrating our 6th annual Porchoween on Friday, October 28! This is a costume-dress-up type of party. This is also a pot luck. Bring Halloween goodies and beverages you don’t mind sharing!” Tickets \$5 suggested donation.

**Haunted Maze | Oct. 28-29, beginning at dark, Cooper Family Farm** | “The Haunted Maze ‘The Cleansing’ is simply an amusement attraction with actors.” Admission \$12

**The Fantasy Maze | Oct. 28-31, 5 p.m., Ritter Park** | “The non-scary alternative to Halloween. Games, inflatables and concessions will be available.” \$5 per person.

**Spooktacular Closing Weekend | Oct. 28-29, 6 p.m., Camden Park** | “Darkness descends and Camden Park is transformed into a fog-filled stomping ground for ghosts, ghouls, and goblins.” Admission \$15.99 Friday and \$20.99 Saturday.

**Rare Drops Halloween Birthday Spoop-Tacular! | Oct. 29, 12 p.m., Rare Drops** | “Wear your silliest costume and get a free treat! Refreshments available throughout the day. Also everything but snacks and drinks are 10 percent off all day!” Free admission.

**Ghost Tour | Oct. 29, 7 p.m., Guyandotte Cemetery** | “Our tour will take you on a short walk through the Guyandotte Methodist Church Cemetery, the oldest Church cemetery in Cabell County. Learn about the history of those who have gone on before us, hear their stories and find out why a few may still linger.” Free admission.

**We Are Funhouse Halloween Album Release Party | Oct. 29, 9 p.m., Who’s on 4th** | “WE ARE FUNHOUSE is finally dropping a follow-up to their debut EP ‘Almost Famous.’ Join the band in celebration Halloween weekend in Huntington. Halloween attire encouraged.” Admission \$10.

**The Rocky Horror Picture Show | Oct. 29, 10 p.m., Ritter Park Amphitheatre** | “‘The Rocky Horror Picture Show’ Characters will be on hand to shadow-cast the show during this interactive evening full of audience participation! Come dressed as your favorite character for the Costume Contest at 11:30 p.m.” Tickets \$5 each.

Find more information and more events for Halloween week on Facebook. Follow @MUParthenon on Twitter and check out marshallparthenon.com this week for coverage of various Halloween events in Huntington.



PARTHENON FILE PHOTO

The Pumpkin House opens its doors every Halloween, and allows patrons to enjoy the pumpkins carved by local groups and organizations. It is currently open for the season.

# Justice, W.Va. Democrat candidate for governor owes millions in taxes

By **DYLAN LOVAN** and **JONATHAN MATTISE**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jim Justice, a coal billionaire running for West Virginia governor, owes millions in back taxes to some of Appalachia’s most impoverished counties, including one in Kentucky that is struggling to pay the debt on a new rec center and has turned the lights off in its parks and reduced hot meals for senior citizens, according to tax records and government officials.

Many of these counties have been devastated by the collapse of the coal industry over the past few years, and their financial struggles aren’t all Justice’s fault. But county officials say things would be a lot easier if he paid up.

“It’s just absurd that a billionaire wouldn’t pay his taxes,” fellow Democrat Zach Weinberg, the top elected official in Kentucky’s Knott County, said as he thumbed through a folder of Justice’s debts.

Justice, who is leading in the polls, makes no apologies for the debt owed by some of his coal companies, saying he is doing everything he can to keep his businesses running and workers employed while other companies go under.

One of the biggest chunks of money owed is in Knott County, where Justice has unpaid taxes of \$2.3 million dating to tax year 2014. That’s a substantial hole, given the county government’s \$10 million budget and its separate \$23 million school budget.

Justice has other unpaid tax bills scattered across the hills and hollows of eastern Kentucky: \$1.2 million in Pike County, \$500,000 in Floyd County, \$228,300 in Magoffin County and \$167,600 in Harlan County, according to county officials.

He also has millions in West Virginia state tax liens against his companies. Because of privacy laws, the state won’t say whether he is paying them back.

The Associated Press has reported previously on Justice’s debts to coal suppliers and contractors, and a recent National Public Radio report compiled a list of Justice company debts,



TYLER EVERT | AP FILE PHOTO

Democratic candidate Jim Justice speaks during a gubernatorial debate against Senate Majority Leader Bill Cole, R-W.Va., Tuesday, Oct. 4 at the Clay Center in Charleston.

including back taxes and mine safety fines totaling \$15 million.

At the same time, Justice — the richest man in West Virginia, with a fortune estimated at \$1.56 billion by Forbes magazine and a profusion of coal and agricultural interests — has spent almost \$2.6 million of his own money on his campaign.

His opponent, Republican Bill Cole, has made an issue of Justice’s bills, saying the businessman is putting counties at risk. “They don’t need the money in a year or two years from now,” Cole said during a recent debate. “They need it right now.”

In his defense, Justice cites the downturn in the coal industry and the complexity of the 102 businesses he is juggling. He doesn’t have “barrels of money” sitting around, he said, and his companies have paid over \$70 million in taxes annually over the last four years.

Justice has cast his efforts to keep his mines open in heroic terms.

“I didn’t declare bankruptcy, did I?” he said when asked about his unpaid debts at the debate. “You saw every great coal company in the world belly up. They stiffed everybody. I just kept digging. It’s tough. It’s really tough at times. But we didn’t give up.”

He added: “If we would have given up, what would have

happened? Those good people, men and women that were working, they would have gone home, they wouldn’t have had their jobs. And I won’t feel bad for a second for trying to keep those people in their jobs.”

Justice’s campaign has also emphasized his ability to pull off unthinkable economic development projects, pointing to his purchase and turnaround of the once-broke Greenbrier resort, a longtime playground in West Virginia for members of Congress and foreign dignitaries.

As recently as five years ago, Knott County had about 1,000 miners producing some 5 million tons of coal a year and could count on \$8 million to \$9 million a year in mining-related taxes. In those heady times, the county built a 66,000-square-foot sports and activity center on top of a former mine.

Now, the county doesn’t have a single working mine, unemployment is around 10 percent — or more than twice the national average — the mining tax revenue is down to just a few hundred thousand dollars a year, and the county still owes \$6 million on the sportsplex.

“We’re trying to do everything we can to keep the doors open, to provide services to keep the roads up, to keep the jail going, to keep the dogs off the road, and we just really

don’t have money to do it,” said Weinberg, the county’s judge executive.

For 2014 and 2015, Justice owes the county \$1.46 million in property and other taxes, and \$915,000 in fees involving unmined minerals.

There and in other counties, Justice agreed to installment plans to pay his back taxes but then stopped making payments, officials said. Knott County sued one of Justice’s businesses and set up a second plan, with the company making the first \$40,000 installment in September, Weinberg said.

In the meantime, the county is trying to save money by shutting off the lights at 10 parks and substituting cheaper cold meals once a week for senior citizens who depend on food deliveries. County employees also are being asked to take on more duties.

Chris Amburgey, who runs the sportsplex, parks department and tourism office, said he worries that drug use and vandalism could increase in the darkened parks. Standing on a basketball court near a recently closed coal mine, he pointed out the nets and stripes, upgrades made before the bottom fell out.

“This is a popular park, but kids can’t play here at night

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# Career Services Etiquette Dinner Wednesday

By **NOAH GILLISPIE**  
THE PARTHENON

Career Services at Marshall University’s annual Fall Etiquette Dinner will take place Wednesday.

The dinner will feature Terri Thomson, an etiquette consultant, who will offer her professional business etiquette tips for handling meal-time interviews and networking events. Thomson started the companies Etiquette in Action and Swizzle Stick Speaking, and has helped many people develop professional etiquette and personal

communication skills.

“The event is a four course meal and, through each course, Thompson will teach etiquette such as what utensils to use when, how to eat some of the food, where to place your napkin and what to do if you have to sneeze during the meal,” Jennifer Brown, a representative from Career Services, said.

There are two seating times available at two different locations for the dinner in order to accommodate more students. The first is 4:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room and the other

is 6:30 p.m. in room BE-5, both in the Memorial Student Center. The Shawkey Room doors open at 4 p.m. and BE-5’s doors open at 6 p.m.

Debby Stoler, assistant director for Development and Outreach at Career Services, said that all Marshall students may attend, however juniors, seniors and graduate students are especially encouraged to attend. The skills they will learn at the event are skills they will need to know in the near future as they apply for internships and jobs.

Formal dress is required

to attend the event in order to properly educate during the dinner.

Brown said Career Services is a referral for places such as Hire for Attire and Dress for Success if students are in need of appropriate attire for the event.

Brown said another etiquette dinner is taking place next semester for students who miss the one in October or wish to refine their skills at the dinner table.

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# SPORTS

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## Want to see World Series at Wrigley? It will cost thousands

By **DON BABWIN**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Fans hoping to see the Cubs play in the World Series for the first time since 1945 are finding a seat could cost them more than what their grandpar-ents paid for their houses.

The euphoria from Satur-day night's victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers gave way Monday to the realization that history doesn't come cheap.

Box seats on ticket-selling sites such as StubHub were \$50,000 and up, with one seller asking \$100,000 for a seat and another asking for just under \$1 million. But there are lots of box seat tick-ets in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range. Tickets to just get into the park and stand behind those with actual seats were going for more than \$2,200 each.

Ticket prices are up in Cleve-land, too, but prices suggest Indians fans are not willing to pay nearly as much. And there are indications that Cubs fans, getting a look at what they'd pay at Wrigley versus Pro-gressive Field, are buying two tickets: one for a plane and one for a game.

Ticket brokers were being flooded with calls from fans looking for tickets and, as of Monday, they were willing to pay as much as \$12,000, said Dan Makras of Classic Tickets in Chicago. But he said prices

might climb because Cubs fans are proving to be reluctant to sell no matter how much money they're offered.

"People have waited so long for this," he said.

How long? Well, the last time the Cubs were in the World Series, a ticket in the upper grandstand was \$6.

That pent-up desire might explain why more than 2.6 million people — about the population of Chicago — signed up for a drawing for a chance to buy the few thou-sand tickets the Cubs are now selling themselves.

Fans with more creativity than luck or money are mak-ing some unusual pitches to pry tickets from the hands of their owners.

In Southern California, Annie Coffman posted on Craigslist an offer to ex-change no fewer than two tickets for a week at her ski cabin near Big Bear Lake. "Rental for a week is about \$9,000," said Coffman, who grew up near Chicago. Not only that, but her sister owns a ski cabin near Lake Tahoe and would be willing to sweeten the offer.

"If someone wants to make it a whole tour of California, we could do that," Coffman said.

Jesse Altig, a firefighter in Portland, Oregon, who grew up watching Cubs games on television with his dad in the 1980s, also took to Craigslist.

He placed an ad offering to show whoever gives him a ticket a tour that includes Mt. Hood, the coast of the Pacific Ocean and the fire station where he works.

"I am a regular guy with a family and mortgage and these prices for tickets are kind of astronomical," Al-tig said. "Maybe there's somebody looking for an ex-perience versus a monetary gain."

Some Chicago fans appar-ently are going with Plan B and heading to Cleveland.

Cameron Popp of StubHub said a quarter of the tickets being sold on the site for Game 1 in Cleveland on Tuesday are being paid for with credit cards associated with Illinois ZIP codes. In comparison, only about 2 percent of the sales to Game 3 at Wrigley are coming from Ohio.

No wonder. Papp said the average ticket price for Game 1 is about \$1,000.

Such a bargain does not tempt Tom Wilbeck of Chicago.

"Tickets to Wrigley are three times as much and I asked myself if the experience is three times as cool," said Wilbeck, 38, who is willing to go as high as \$20,000 for two Chicago at-home tickets. "And the answer is yes. So many people died wishing the Cubs would win the World Series at Wrigley and you can't let this pass you by."

## Thundering Herd women's soccer in must-win situation against Charlotte

By **JOSEPH ASHLEY**  
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Thundering Herd women's soccer team has one game re-maining in the regular season, with a potential spot in the conference tournament still undecided. The final game is scheduled to be played Friday against the University of North Carolina at Charlotte 49ers.

"It's win or go home at this point of the season" head coach Kevin Long said "Moti-vation is at an all-time high, there is nothing I can say or do that motivates them more."

Marshall sits in a precari-ous position, but if the season were to end today, they would be in the eighth seed, making it to the post season tournament for the fourth consecutive year. There also exists a scenario al-lowing the Thundering Herd the potential to overtake and finish in the seventh position.

The simple issue is the Thundering Herd have just one game remaining, while two opponents within striking distance in the standings have two. Two more opponents within distance of passing Mar-shall also have one remaining.

That leaves a grand total of six teams battling for two po-sitions, and the top seeds of the tournament not set that should mean every confer-ence game remaining still has massive implications.

The overriding theme for Marshall is to win, and hope they get help from other teams. Even if Marshall still wins the match Friday, they can still be left out of post season play. Six teams have clinched tourna-ment berths, although not a single position in the rankings is set. Depending on the week-end match results, Marshall could be as high as seven, or as low as 12 in the standings.

While the possibility of Marshall getting into the post season without a win is severely diminished, a draw would not eliminate them from contention, and a loss would not mathematically eliminate them either.

Standing in the way of the Thundering Herd will be the 49ers. The 49ers have been dominant in home games, but have struggled away from Charlotte. The road record is 2-6-1, while at home the team posted a 7-1-0 record.

In conference play, the 49ers have earned a 5-3-1 record. Those results have already earned them a spot in the tournament, which is being played at Charlotte.

The 49ers have two stand-out threats for offense, Martha Thomas and Megan Greene. Thomas leads the team in goals with 9, while Greene has 8. With those goals scored, Thomas is second overall in the conference, while Greene is tied with two other players for third. Aside from Thomas and Greene, nine other play-ers have scored for the 49ers, compiling a team total of 35 goals this season.

While the offense has been solid for Charlotte, the weak-ness Marshall will need to exploit to win is Charlotte's defensive side.

Charlotte has allowed 28 goals this season, relying on offense to win games. The 28 goals conceded are fourth most in the league, and 10 more allowed than any other team that has clinched a post season tournament position.

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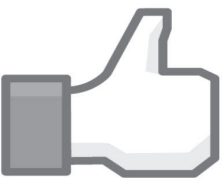
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Editorial: What the NFL is doing wrong

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month and a prime time for NFL. Recently, New York Giants kicker Josh Brown admitted to physically abusing his now ex-wife in a journal.

Brown was taken into custody in May 2015 after an incident with his then wife. As of September 2016 no charges have been filed. In documents released last week that showed Brown admitted to

abusing his wife, he talked about how he felt entitled. He said he viewed himself as God and his then wife as a slave.

According to ESPN, in August, Brown was suspended for one game for violating the team's "personal conduct policy," but the Giants did not say directly what that was. We can only assume it was his arrest in May for abusing his then wife. At this point, the documents with Brown admitting to the abuse were not yet released.

ESPN also said on Oct. 21 that Brown was placed on the commissioner's exempt list. The NFL defines the exempt list as:

"The Exempt List is a special player status available to clubs only in unusual circumstances. The List includes those players who have been declared by the Commissioner to be temporarily exempt from counting within the Active List limit. Only the Commissioner has the authority to place a player on the Exempt List; clubs have no such authority, and no exemption, regardless of circumstances, is automatic. The Commissioner also has the authority to determine in advance whether a player's time on the Exempt List will be finite or will continue until the Commissioner deems the exemption should be lifted and the player returned to the Active List."



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In this Sept. 29, 2013 file photo, New York Giants kicker Josh Brown reacts after missing a field goal during the first half of an NFL football game against the Kansas City Chiefs at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. Brown admitted in journal entries and emails that he verbally and physically abused his wife, according to documents that were part of a domestic violence case obtained by SNY.

Brown will still be collecting up to a \$1.15 million salary while being on the exempt list. Brown can still be in the Giants stadium, but "for meetings, individual workouts, therapy and rehabilitation, and other permitted non-football activities."

Why isn't the NFL taking domestic violence serious? While they are painting their stadiums and players pink for breast cancer awareness in October, they should be more concerned about the players abusing their spouses.

According to Business Insider, for every \$100 of pink merchandise sold, only \$11.25 goes to the American Cancer Society. While every little bit helps, they are still allowing players who beat their wives to play and earn million dollar salaries. Maybe for a few games they should paint the stadium purple, as a reminder to players to not hit women.

The NFL has dealt with domestic violence issues for years, and they still handle them like shit.

In February of 2014, a video of Ray Rice, former Baltimore Ravens running back, was released showing him dragging his unconscious who later became his wife girlfriend, out of an elevator. Rice had knocked her unconscious in the elevator.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell said he handled Rice's case wrong and vowed the same mistakes would not happen again after failing to suspend Rice immediately. The video of Rice dragging his unconscious then girlfriend out of the elevator surfaced Feb. 19, 2014. The NFL claimed they had not seen the full video and Rice had told them a different account of what had happened. On July 24, 2014, Rice was finally suspended, but only for two games.

A full video of the encounter, including video of Rice punching his then girlfriend in the face hard enough to knock her unconscious was released on Sept. 8 and Rice was indefinitely suspended by the NFL the same day. Finally.

The NFL put off handling it and gave Rice a measly suspension, because, who knows, he didn't hit her hard enough to be completely suspended or some excuse. The NFL also said they did not know about the abuse caused by Brown or that he had a history of it. But that's a lie. The night before the Pro-Bowl, Brown had too much to drink and was pounding on his then wife's hotel room door and was going through her phone looking at her texts. NFL security moved her into a new room where Brown did not know where she was. That is considered harassment.

So what we can learn from the NFL with just these two cases is that, unless something serious happens, players can get away with pushing and bruising their spouses. So next time you sit down to watch a full day of football on Sunday, think about how many of those players have beat their wives/girlfriends and are still making millions of dollars because the NFL just does not want to deal with it.

**If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence you can call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. All calls are confidential and anonymous.**

Column: xoxo, Michael Brown

By MICHAEL BROWN  
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The readers submitted some questions about life, love and everything in between. I answered them as honest as I knew possible. I'm here to keep it real with you when no one else is and to answer with no judgment because I don't know you! I'm just a college senior who enjoys giving his opinion. Here are some of the questions I got this week:

**If you were offered a great job, but had to drop out of school to take it, would you?**

Negative. I would definitely not drop out of school, especially when I am a semester away from finishing. I've worked too hard to just give it up for a job; I want the degree and a job. If this were the case, I would simply have to pass on the opportunity. Also, it isn't guaranteed that I would be with this job forever, but no one can take my degree away from me. I earned it.

**Have you ever been in love? If so, what's it like?**

Yeah, the first thing that comes to my mind when trying to describe love is the end of a Lauryn Hill song. If you don't know what I'm talking about, you don't know music. It's like the young kids talking in the classroom. It's magical.

**Do you think animals have souls?**

I mean, yeah, I guess so? I'm not really an animal guy. I've never really thought about this. Sure, animals have a soul.

**If you could change anything in this world, what would it be?**

I would change the killing of innocent black men in America.

This is one thing that has got to stop; it is something that honestly saddens my soul when I see a new hashtag has been started. I also would change the negative connotation that comes with being homosexual. Love is love, whether you're with the same sex or not. Mind your business and let people live.

**What is your favorite non-social networking website?**

I want to say Tumblr or Pinterest, but then I realize that's social media. It's not like Facebook or Twitter though. I believe those two to be a little different. This is actually a hard question to answer, I guess. We do so much social networking today that I realize if I'm not on some sort of social media outlet that I'm doing schoolwork or online shopping.

**If you won the lottery, who would you call first? What would you do with the money?**

I'm not really sure whom I would call first. It would be a toss-up between my parents or sisters. How much I won would determine what I did with the money. I would want to donate money to some sort of cancer research, probably Make-A-Wish Foundation. I know all too well how cancer can affect a person and their family. I would also want to donate to Students Against Destructive Decisions, this organization did so much for me when I was a teenager and I am forever thankful. I would like to donate to the School of Journalism and Mass Communications here at Marshall, if I had enough after spoiling myself like I never have before and taking care of my family.

**To have your question answered you can submit them on ask.fm/mikeyyybx.**

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**Thursday, Oct 27** - The Lady in the Van (UK) at 5:30 p.m.  
A War (Denmark) at 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, Oct 28** - The Last Diamond (France) at 5:30 p.m.  
Viva (Cuba) at 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct 29** - A War at 12:30 p.m.  
Prescription Thugs (USA) at 2:45 p.m.  
The Last Diamond at 5:30 p.m.  
Mustang (Turkey) at 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, Oct 30** - The Lady in the Van at 12:30 p.m.  
Viva at 2:30 p.m.  
Mustang at 5:30 p.m.  
Prescription Thugs at 7:30 p.m.

International Film Festival showcases talent from all over the world

By KRISLYN HOLDEN  
THE PARTHENON

The Fall International Film Festival take place at the Keith Albee Performing Arts Center Oct. 27 through Oct. 30.

Starting off this year’s festival is “The Lady in the Van.” Based on a true story, the film is a comedy-drama detailing the story of Miss Shepherd, a woman who made the decision to temporarily park her van in Bennett’s London driveway, where she proceeded to live there for 15 years. What started off as a favor, became a relationship that changed both of their lives. The film is presented in English and runs an hour and 44 minutes.

“A War” is presented next in the festival. The film is about a Danish army commander in Afghanistan, Claus Pedersen, who is determined to lead his men with integrity after one of their young comrades is killed by a landmine. After an unexpected siege occurred, Pederson was called to make a life-changing decision, which leads to long-term effects for himself, his company and his family. “A War” is presented in Arabic, English, and Danish with English subtitles and runs an hour and 56 minutes.

“The Last Diamond” is a crime and drama film about Simon, who had recently been released from prison and is now on parole. Simon’s friend, Albert, lures him back to his old ways for a final hit to steal

a priceless diamond. When Simon’s plans go sour, he is faced with gangsters and ruthless killers in pursuit of the diamond as things begin to unravel. The film is presented in French with English subtitles and runs an hour 48 minutes.

“Viva” is a film about Jesus, a hairdresser, who works for a group of drag performers in Havana. Problems arise when a stranger from the crowd hits Jesus in the face during a performance. The stranger turns out to be his father, a former boxer who has not been in Jesus’ life for 15 years. The two reunite and both struggle to understand one another and each other’s expectations of the other while trying to become a family again. “Viva” is presented in Spanish with English subtitles and runs an hour and 40 minutes.

“Prescription Thugs” is a hard-hitting expose of Big Pharma and its marketing practices and impact on the staggering level of addiction to prescription drugs in North America. Director Chris Bell turns the camera on sensitive subjects when it comes to the abuse of prescription drugs. After witnessing friends and relatives face tragedy of becoming addicted to prescription drugs, Bell set out to explore the goals of pharmaceutical companies and doctors in this ever-growing market, and raised a question: how are these employees are

any different from back-alley drug-pushers? The film is presented in English and runs an hour and 26 minutes.

A free post show discussion will take place immediately following the Saturday, Oct. 29 screening of “Prescription Thugs” at 2:45 p.m. The discussion panel includes: Huntington Mayor Steve Williams, Huntington Chief of Police, Joe Ciccarelli, physician director of the Cabell-Huntington Health Department, Dr. Michael Kilkenny, and Huntington Fire Department Chief, Jan Rader.

“Mustang” takes place in a Turkish village where five orphaned sisters cause outrage by innocently playing with a group of boys. Their actions result in living in a prison-like atmosphere at home and dealing with the results of arranged marriages. Longing for freedom, the sisters rebel against the limitations. “Mustang” is presented in Turkish with English subtitles and runs an hour and 37 minutes.

Tickets for the Fall International Film Festival are free for full-time Marshall students with a valid student ID. Tickets may be purchased 15 minutes prior to each film at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center.

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